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NEWSLETTER

INDIANAPOLIS RADIO CLUB, INC.

Founded 1914.....our 59th year!

Regular meetings held on the 2nd & 4th
Fridays at 8:00 PM in the United
Christian Mission Bldg. 222 S. Downey

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PROGRAM MEETING: FRIDAY NIGHT DECEMBER 14th 1st. "HEATHKIT EQUIPMENT PROGRAM"

& ELECTION

including the new 2 FM Model HW-202 Heath Tranceiver and
other kits. Presented thru the cooperation of Mr. Boyd Hagaman
W9MDN and Jim Craig WB9KXQ. An Audio-Slide show will cover

the history and operation of the Heath Company. (Maybe Santa will bring you & SB-220)

and. "ELECTION OF 1974 IRC OFFICERS". Rumor has it that there is another slate of
candidates besides the one from the Nomination committee. Come on and Vote Friday!

NO MEETING ONDECEMBER 28th (The Christmas party was cancelled by a vote of
club members at the last meeting. Only one meeting this Month.

FIRST MEETING OF

1974

JANUARY 11th, 1974 Installation of Club officers and a special
program... To be announced.

ZB2CS DX-Pedition: Ron Williams -Trustee of IRC just returned from a DX pedition
to Gibraltar and will present a slide show of his trip at an early meeting in 1974,
Ron contacted approx 380 stations in 40 countries and has a tape recording of him
being interviewed on Gibraltar radio by a Senorita! !!! He is writing an article for
Saturday Evening Post.

CALL BOOK SPECIAL SALE: "Call Book Special for new 1974 ISSUE

\$8.95 DX, Our Price \$7.50 \$9.95 USA our Price \$8.50

Orders taken with check or M.O. until Jan 1st. Send to Ron Williams W9JVF
1147 N. Emerson 46219. Delivery about Jan 10th pick up from Ron or at meetings.

FOR SALE:

Drake station: R4B T4XB, AC4 with cables and manuals in
excellent condition. Package deal only.....\$640.00
Contact Ron Williams 359-5278.

FOR SALE:

Don Davis 423 N. Dequincy 359-3839 Has equipment for sale.

XTALS

Byron Fortner W9FYM is asking again for Freq's required for Xtal bank??

W9FU Harry Butler had been in the hospital recently and his roommate was a ham also'.

MEMBERSHIP UP"

As of November 23rd the IRC has 93 paid up members, dues
for 1974 will be set by the new officers and statements mailed
to membership with the first Newsletter in January (the next one)

REVIEW: Jim Sugioka has a few words to end the year, also Art Schultz and a review
of old timers day November 25 follow:.....QRX QSY

PRESIDENTS FREQUENCY:

IN RETROSPECT

What wonderful things can be done with willing hearts and hands! The Indianapolis Radio Club (IRC) has truly accomplished wonders during the year 1973. The devotion of its members and officers has resulted in membership growth, excellent programs and unexcelled fellowship, all contributing to the good cause of amateur radio, here and around the world.

A devoted chief operator, a venturer on a DX expedition, an eminent program director, devoted past presidents, loyal board members, a consecrated treasurer, a hard-working secretary, a superb editor and top notch committee heads have all made 1973 a banner year for the IRC

As one of the oldest radio clubs in the U.S.A., the IRC has a challenge to meet. As we survey 1973 in retrospect, we trust that 1974 will lead us on to further achievement.

All good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Your President.

James Sugioka W9CKB

AUCTION NIGHT: The club benefitted \$53.47 from the many magazines and other radio gear sold at the Auction November 23. Thanks to all who donated to the club.

Mailing to We have been mailing the "NEWSLETTER" to members as well as selected members only prospective members, however beginning with the January mailings we will no longer mail to non-members. Please come to the club meeting and get acquainted and join if you wish.

CONTEST NOTES: The ARRL Ten Meter contest will take place 1200 GMT December 15th to 2359 GMT December 16 with activity open to, and contacts permitted with, all amateurs worldwide. Full details are on page 58 of the November QST.

December 15-23 Space Net VHF Contest see Pg. 174 Nov QST.

December 23 HA5 WW Contest Pg 174 Nov QST.

December 27 WiAW Morning Qualifying Run 1400 GMT Same Freq as in Dec 11 List.

December 31 Straight Key Night (SKN) 8 PM on New Years Eve ends 3AM local time on New Years Day Rules see Operating Events Dec QST

January 5-6 VHF SS Contest.

February 2-3 DX Competition Phone

February 2-10 Novice Roundup

February 16-17 DX Competition CW

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL FROM THE INDIANAPOLIS RADIO CLUB. W9JP

AuRevoir but not GoodBye:

With this issue of the IRC Newsletter I terminate the office of Vice President and Chairman of the Program Committee for 1973. It is appropriate to comment in review on the memorable success of the Club's season during which it has enjoyed a resurgence of activity and a growth in membership made possible by the tremendous support given by all its rededicated membership. We lavished in an orgy of 20 well arranged programs, filling our calendar to capacity. We owe much to the speakers who gave so generously of their time and talents to share with us their leadership in the Art and inspire us with intellectual enrichment. By dint of unsparing cooperation on the part of everyone we were able to get out the biggest and best ever issue of the Marion County Ham Call Book Directory, to participate in various community activities such as the Ham Radio booth at the Hobby Fair, ARRL Field Day, Indy Hamfest, Canoe Regatta and IRCC picnic. We are especially lucky to have among our membership a very active and dedicated group of Young Ops and Novices who contribute massively to the success of the Club by their eager and spirited participation in all phases of its activities; this augurs well for the continued vitality and success of the Club. I wish personally to thank everyone for helping me to make my job easier and effective and to act creatively. Our Editor and the Indy IRC Newsletter is second to none. I wish the next Program Chairman well and much success as I now, put the dust cover over the mike for the last time, sign say 73 and pull the Big Switch.....DE Art W9BR.....SK.....+ CL

(Art Schultz W9BR
Vice President)

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CB radio: Truckers' way to avoid road arrests!

HARRISBURG, PA. Penn State police Cpl Gary Mysel pulled his patrol car off I-81 and parked on the berm. A group of tractor trailers roared by and seconds later the CB radio in the police car came alive with the excited voices of truck drivers talking. "Smokey the Bear's sittin near Exit 28. He's in a plain wrapper, so watch our our you'll get some green stamps. In truckers Jargon "Smokey the Bear is a state police man. A plain wrapper is an unmarked patrol car, and green stamps are speeding tickets. For the next 1/2 hour all went by at regular speed. It was a demonstration of a national safety problem. Long haul drivers have established a clandestine and largely illegal two way radio network that gives them virtual immunity to speeding and overweight arrests.

Now watch this" Mysel Said. He drove off away from highway, picked up mike and "in his best truckers voice Said. Im out here at Exit 28 and Smokeys not in Sight C mon and run. C mon C mon! Minutes later the tractor trailers began whizzing past. Estimates show about 25% of long haul drivers have CB sets and there is no way to tell exactly because most do not take out the required federal license. The reasons truckers say they have the radios is to warn of hazards but a six hour monitoring of the network on interstate highways near Harrisburg showed that interest centered on only one hazard "Smokey the Bear"

TRUCKERS RADIO JARGON:

"Smokey the Bear"	Any state policeman.
"Smokey's taking pictures"	State police radar trap
"Smokeys out of film"	Radar trap has been removed
"Blue and gold"	Marked patrol car
"Plain wrapper"	Unmarked patrol car
C Mon and Run or You got a clean shot	no police in area drive as fast as you want.
"Chicken coop"	truck weighing scales
"Four wheeler"	Automobile
"Candyman"	Federal Communications Commission inspector.

Provided by Chas Byers W99 GCD from WESTPark Radiops .. Elyria Oh Chronicle-Tele.

DECEMBER 14th, 1973 INDIANAPOLIS RADIO CLUB NEWSLETTER

PROGRAM REVIEW : Old Timers Day November 25th, 1973 By Arthur J. Schultz W9BR

Approx 50 members, guests and members of the Indiana Historical Radio Society met Sunday afternoon at the Indiana State Museum,, 202 N. Alabama St. to tour the facility, inspect the antique radio collection which the IHRS has currently on display and to enjoy an audio-slide show "120 Years of Brass Pounding" which was prepared by the Antique Wireless Association and presented by Mr. Ross Smith president of IHRS. Mr. and Mrs Smith drove here from Elkhart, Ind. in order to meet with our Club and provide us with the program. The event started with a welcome by our Pres. Jim Sugioka, W9CKB and a round table introduction. The IRC awarded a brand new award, the Old Timer of the Year Award to Robert B. Annis ex - 9CUD in recognition of his many contributions to Amateur Radio and the IRC over which he presided during the Depression Years, 1929 and 1930. Art Schultz, W9BR wrote and read the Letter of Commendation and presented Mr. Annis as candidate for the award. After being presented the Award by Pres. Sugioka, Bob recounted for us a number of important highlights and anecdotes of the early history and activity of the Club as they occurred 44 years ago.

The Award in the form of a parchment scroll was specially designed and made by our talented artist member, Alvey Pittman, W9EL.

The Audio-slide show followed the presentation, consisting of three parts: first, a review of the invention of the Telegraph by S. F. B. Morse (also a very fine portrait artist and painter), the use of various recorders and a vast variety of telegraph keys from small hand types to hugh types equipped with pump handles to handle the large currents then in use.

The second part dealt with the organization of the ARRL by Hiram P. Maxim and Tuska, early ham wireless stations using spark coils whose signal tone could be varied by adjusting the vibration reed of the coil. The sounds of some of these earlymonsters was captured on tape so we all enjoyed the extra dimension of sound as well as sight.

The Third part was an old Lantern Slide Show such as preceeded. early movies, and specially included in the program for the la^r'es in the audience. The hero of the lantern show was of course, the Radio operator, a dashing officer aboard a passenger liner at sea whose expertise and daring make him a hero in a disaster and he wins the fair damsel, so its all 88's in the end. Many of the members brought in various of their antique ham gear including Bart's W9MC 1920 first ham license which in typical government bungling, did not even carry Bart's name on it. a three dial de radio set of 1923 vintage, a coherer dating back to 1891, early DeForest triode vacuum tubes dated 1920 and some early radio magazines dated 1914.

The Chief Op and his XYL, the Ben Gaither's WA9YCA served a beautifully set table of a variety of cookies and Ben's delicious coffee. I don't know what Ben does to brew such heavenly coffee, I only know I could drink oceans of it. We again wish to thank Mr. Smith and his XYL for driving to Indpls from thei home in Elkhart to give us this delightfully nostalgic program and for inviting the members of the IHRS to visit with us and enjoy the proceedings. The writer wished to thank Mr. Ed Taylor of the IHRS for all his valuable suggestions and assistance in maning this all happen so nicely. Thanks Bart W9MC for getting the slide projector fromth your son, you sure came thru in a terrific pinch and we appreciate it.

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A Full presentation and history of Robert B Annis will be printed in the next issue. Bob is the winner of the new award "Old Timer of the Year Award".

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